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The web of our life is of mingled yarn, good and ill together.—Shakespeare.

POPULAR RULE.
The Times-Dispatch has great sympathy with the people of Onancock, who have suffered so long from the bad negro infliction. But as a defender of the law of the land we must protest against the revolutionary action of the Council in passing an ordinance expelling eight negroes from the town. The ordinance is a flagrant violation of the fourteenth amendment of the Federal Constitution, and would not stand a minute in court. If such an ordinance were legal, the Council of any town or city might designate any man or set of men as "undesirable citizens," no matter what their race or standing might be, and legislate them out of the community.

The members of the Onancock Council were actuated by good motives, but they exceeded their authority, and they should repeal the unlawful ordinance at the first opportunity.
The incident shows how necessary it is to have organic and fundamental laws to protect the minority from the tyranny of the majority. The people are not always to be trusted. In time of popular excitement they sometimes run riot and commit trespass. When the mob gets its blood up and goes on the rampage it may destroy life and property and commit all manner of terrible crimes before its anger is appeased. The mob spirit sometimes asserts itself also in our legislative halls. The people become aroused and order the Town Council, the State Legislature or the Federal Congress to enact revolutionary laws. But the Constitution forbids, and if in spite of the Constitution the lawmakers respond to popular clamor, the persons affected by the unconstitutional enactments appeal to the courts and the courts give protection.

How absurd, therefore, and how dangerous is the principle of the initiative and referendum. Suppose there were no organic laws, no power to restrain the people; suppose it were within the power of the people to enact on impulse and enforce any law which the majority might take a fancy to enact, without regard to established principles, without restraint by a "bill of rights," suppose the people of any town or city in Virginia were free to confiscate property, or expel citizens, by simple vote of the majority—what security would the minority have? What man would be secure in his liberty or in his title to his own home?

Of course the people are supreme and their decree is law. But in all organized government there must be agreement as to fundamentals. There must be basic rules which serve as a protection against hysterical legislation and which may not be changed except by a slow and deliberative process. It is practically impossible to change the Constitution of the United States, and if a convention should be called "to propose amendments" the people at large would be in a state of anxiety bordering on panic. The people are supreme, but they must have safeguards of law to save them from themselves. Tear up the Constitution and substitute the initiative and referendum and we should have chaos.

If the people of Onancock had voted on the question of expelling the undesirable negro citizens, they would doubtless have approved the action of the Council. But if a town Council may banish negro citizens, it may also banish white citizens. It is just here that the organic law comes in and protects the civil rights of the minority.

PUNISHING THE INNOCENT.
The News Leader defends the policy of the Federal government in imposing enormous fines upon the innocent stockholders of corporations whose officers have violated the antirebate laws.

"It is a rule of law," says our contemporary, "sometimes unfortunate, but by the action of the stockholders of the News Leader, the stockholders of every other important newspaper in the country have been compelled by law to pay heavily for the mistakes of reporters over whom they had no direct control, and of whose doings the stockholders of banks have been compelled to pay, occasionally to their absolute ruin, for the rascality or folly of bank officers. It is a hard case, but it is law, and it is justice."

Our contemporary is confounding civil actions with criminal actions. When the stockholders of the News Leader were made to pay for the mistakes of a reporter, it was because some person who felt aggrieved at the reporter's publication brought an action for damages, and proved before a jury that he had been injured.
When the stockholders of a bank are made to pay for the rascality of its officers, it is because innocent depositors have lost their money, and the stockholders are required to make the losses good. But the assessment is not made in punishment of the stockholders. The law does not punish the stockholders of a bank for the rascality of its officers. If the deposits are not impaired the stockholders are not even assessed. The defaulting officer or officers are hauled into court on their own account and tried as individuals, and, if convicted, punished as individuals for their crime.

But in the cases where the government is now prosecuting there is no question of compensation for injuries done. The officers of the corporations violated the antirebate laws, and the innocent stockholders are made to pay the penalty, while the real offenders go free. And the fines collected go, not to any persons who may have been injured, but into the treasury of the government.

The conservative people of the country are fast beginning to realize that the insane war which President Roosevelt and his followers are making on corporations is not only working gross injustice to thousands of innocent stockholders, but is also impairing credit, destroying confidence, and threatening general prosperity.
"There seems to be no ground," says the Baltimore Sun, in a lengthy review of Mr. Roosevelt's policy, "for the assumption that a financial panic is imminent, but beyond question there is a certain degree of financial stringency which might become alarming if prudent and practical counsels do not prevail. There are hundreds of thousands of persons owing railroad and other corporation securities who are suffering from a diminution of income. The popular fancy is prone to picture every owner of railroad stock or bonds as a person bloated with wealth. This is not the fact. It was stated recently that there are nearly 50,000 stockholders in one of the great railroad systems of the United States. The majority of them are probably men and women of moderate means, to whom a diminution of income means real hardship. It is surely not the desire of the people of the United States to make them suffer. It cannot be to the interest of the public that such a condition of financial stringency shall prevail that corporations will be forced not only to abandon new enterprises, but to reduce the scope of existing operations. It is inconceivable that the intelligent and practical people of this country favor any system of trust-breaking which will break the public financially and possibly do the heads of the trust to harm. Is it possible that reasoning men will advocate their party associations may be duped in the belief that the public is getting a square deal when it pays the fines which are assessed against the oil company? Such a thing is beyond belief, unless we are a nation of human ostriches, hiding our heads in the sand and not seeing the fact that the trust which has been fined is plucking from us much more than the court extracted from the trust."

The people are getting their eyes open, and if the President does not look sharp, he will overplay his hand. There was another boastful threat from the Attorney-General in yesterday's news reports, and another slump in the stock market, which carried the price of stocks to a new low level. There was also announcement of the failure of a large manufacturing concern, which had plenty of assets, but was unable to borrow money.

Is it not time for the people to call a halt on President Roosevelt and his hilarious Attorney-General?

CONGRATULATIONS TO LYNCHBURG.
Lynchburg will tap its new reservoir this week, and will henceforth have an abundant supply of pure water brought into the city by force of gravity. The work of building the Pedlar River dam and laying the pipe was begun, says a Lynchburg correspondent, more than two years ago, and the construction is fifteen months behind the contract time. The water is brought to the city in a thirty-inch main, the major portion of which is

constructed of California redwood. The line is twenty-five miles in length, and the water will be taken from an artificial lake held by a concrete dam 600 feet long and 125 feet high at the highest point. The storage capacity of the basin is estimated at 400,000,000 gallons and the water will seldom become muddy.
The system was estimated to cost \$700,000, but the delay of more than a year will bring the cost up to \$750,000. The present pumping station, which lifts the water from the James River to the reservoir, will be held in reserve in case of accident to the gravity system.
We congratulate our sister city on this splendid municipal enterprise. There is no greater blessing to any city than a bountiful supply of water, pure and clear, and the blessing is enhanced when the supply flows naturally in by force of gravity. Lynchburg now becomes more than ever a desirable place of residence.
Our friends in the Hill City will be glad to know that Richmond will also have in the near future a similar blessing. Our settling basin are now in working order, and as soon as the flumes are completed we shall have the refreshment of James River unadulterated.

Replying to the gibes of long-distance critics, The Times-Dispatch begins to announce that the Angel whom our authorities recently put in the cooler is far from being the only one we have down here. Richmond now has a population of 10,000, of which number the better half is solid, simonpure angel.
Oyster Bay is still so quiet that you can almost hear William Loeb drop his eyes.
"Governor Swanson," says the news story, "made a short speech, in which he referred to the ancient ties between Virginia and North Carolina." Of late, in especial, the ancient bond between the two States has been strengthened by many new railroad ties.
We do not wish to monopolize the subject, but the Times-Dispatch and contemporaries alike compel us to point out that mid-August is the season when the delighted old Virginia onion is at its sweetest, toothsome and most refined.

"Whether I like it or not," plaintively says Mr. Rockefeller, "I must work for the rest." Well, the old gentleman has already gathered in so much of it, it ought not to mean much work now to get the rest.

After a careful examination of the surrounding silence, we have pleasure in informing the United States that Richmond P. Hobson has temporarily consented to an armed truce with himself.

"I felt that my stocking was empty," says a Chicago lady, referring to the loss of \$2,500 which she had been wearing there. She seems to imply that she is a lady of very slender understanding.

Richard Harding Davis slugged a man at Ashbury Park for calling him an "imitation Englishman." Of course the ignorant fellow should have understood that Mr. Davis is an imitation nobleman.

As for the little affair at Onancock, recent happenings in New York have fortunately somewhat clogged the denunciatory department of the Evening Post of that city.

By a diabolical stroke of ill-luck, Harry Thaw's new trial has been set for next January. It now seems impossible to avoid another freshet of those clever little January Thaw jokes.

We have been waiting, long and vainly, for some of our esteemed contemporaries to point out how the path of Standard Oil has become rough and Keneasamounious.

Opinions are divided among the epicureans of New York as to the superiority of the Gertrude Atherton fried chicken or the Poultry Bigelow chicken pie.

Pennsylvania is showing a disposition to put on airs since Judge Ben Lindsey declared that Colorado is "the rottenest State politically in the United States."

Jesse Grant declares that there are 4,999,000 Democrats in this country, and are "fit" to be President. There are only 2, however, who actually have it to be.

If, as the Nashville American avers, a cash can purr, and it does do so at night, what view would a puppydog, lying naturally take of the situation?

"Trade is dead," says a Cape Colony newspaper, "and is daily getting worse." Trade down there not only died, it seems, but went to the lower regions.

Discussions at the Nurserymen's convention here are conducted with a vigor unabated by anxiety lest some one should awake the baby.

This looks like a good time to go to night-school and learn telegraphy at night-rates.

The world drinks nearly four billion gallons of wine every year, not counting peruna.

EAGLES TO ATTEND.
Two Hundred Members of Dixie Aerle Will Be In Parade.
At a special meeting of Dixie Aerle of Eagles, to be held to-night at the Aerle Home, arrangements will be completed for the excursion to Jamestown, which will include a tour of the Grand Aerle session in Norfolk. Dixie Aerle will have about 200 members, and it is expected that many one else desiring to attend will be present this evening. The uniform adopted will be distinctly unique. The Aerle will carry a banner, and judging by reports from headquarters in Norfolk, this will be one of the grandest renditions of Eagles ever held. They expect, and are preparing for, 45,000 visitors to the convention, which will open on September 24 and close on the 31st.

ATTACKED IN DARK.
Frank Hall Gets Off With Light Fine In Police Court.
Frank Hall, white, was fined \$5 in the Police Court yesterday morning for attacking J. J. Fairfield of Church Hill, in the dark Tuesday night. Hall said he had heard that Fairfield was willing to take about him, detrimental to his character.

BEAT LITTLE NEGRO.
Sam Timberlake Is Sent to Jail for Ninety Dollars.
Sam Timberlake, colored, was fined \$10 and sent to jail for ninety days yesterday morning from the Police Court on the charge of beating John Stokes, a colored boy, with a brick, at the point of a knife and taken \$2 from him.

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Rhymes for To-Day
SOCIAL and PERSONAL
T HIS not sheer love that makes me write
This petty roundelay:
Verse-love, I hold, is weak and trite—
It never thrills my breast by night,
Nor, as for that, by day.

'Tis not the lust for beckoning fame
That bids me chaw the cud;
For though I versed for years, my
shame
It is to realize my name
Would still be Merely Mud.
'Tis not the hope of wealth—Ah, me!
There's no wealth for a bard!
How in high finance could there be?
I do these poems don't you see,
For 30 cents a yard.

'Twas none of these that bade me start
On this twin-metric rout;
Ah no! 'Twas wishing in my heart
To get it done, and so depart
Toward my little home.

SMITH'S RED, WHITE AND BLUE.
Boyle: "Did the sun burn Smith red at the seashore?"
"Yes," he said, "but he looked blue when he got his bill."—Philadelphia Telegram.

UP TO HIM.
"Daring, if you refuse me I don't know what I am to do."
"Well, I'm not to blame for that; you should have learned a trade."—Exchange.

TEMPERARILY ON THE WATER WAGON.
"Is Jesus drinking as hard as ever?"
"Don't think so. We carried him home about an hour ago and he's sleeping now."—Cleveland Leader.

NEVER BRIDGET.
Mrs. Newwood: "Bridget, I saw you kiss that man."
Bridget: "Shure, mum; an' yez wouldn't have it, miss, that if the law, would yez, mum?"—Illustrated Bits.

YES, INDEED.
"Youngling is going to marry the Widow Henpeck."
"Why, she's twice as old as he is?"
"No, she's twice as old as he is."—Town and Country.

A SURE CURE.
"Doctor, how can I cure insomnia? I'm not getting to sleep these days before 4 in the morning."
"Have a good knock on your door at midnight and tell you it's time to get up."—Cleveland Leader.

REPLYING TO THE TIMES-DISPATCH.
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ANY North Carolinians resident in Richmond and in other sections of Virginia, last Saturday for Staunton, where weather conditions rendered the celebration of North Carolina day and week at the Jamestown Exposition a simple delight to all present and Governor Glenn, Mrs. Glenn and their party were the guests of the North Carolina Society of Norfolk, and made a tour of the city and the Exposition Grounds yesterday in automobiles.

The headquarters of the North Carolina party, including State officials and members of Governor Glenn's personal and general staff are at Lynnhaven Hotel, Norfolk.
The North Carolina Building was thronged yesterday with callers desiring to pay their respects to the chief executive of the Old North State. The reception given last night in honor of Governor and Mrs. Glenn by Governor and Mrs. Swanson was very largely attended. North Carolinians living in Richmond and Virginia being much in evidence.

The Virginia Building was decorated with North Carolina and Virginia colors, Richmond roses and American Beauties. The band opened with the playing of "Dixie," and followed with a program of beautiful Southern airs. Governor and Mrs. Swanson received with Governor and Mrs. Glenn, Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Elyson, and members of Governor Glenn's immediate party. The presence of members of the staff in full uniform and a number of United States army and navy officials, added to the elegance in gowning of the ladies present, rendered the evening specially brilliant. An admirably arranged buffet supper was served.

MISS BILGROOD'S PARTY.
The Misses Bilglood are entertaining a house party at their home, No. 2314 Hinton Street, Petersburg. Among the guests are Misses Daisy Meador, of Richmond; Daisy Shackleton, of Meherren; Bessie Conley and Mabel Murray, of Roanoke Rapids, N. C.; Gertrude Roberts, of Hampton, and Carrie Bliss, of Farmville, Va.; Messrs. W. F. Burton, of Farmville; D. C. Ballard and R. W. Whitaker, of North Carolina; William Capell, of Memphis; Charles V. Anderson, of Boston; O. S. Shackleton, of Petersburg, and Dr. P. E. Sellers, of the United States Navy. After a ten days' stay, the party will leave to spend several days at the Jamestown Exposition.

KEENE-COOKE.
The wedding of Miss Clemence Amelle Cooke, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth S. Cooke, formerly of Newport News, Va., to Mr. Charles Keene, a well-known artist, was quietly celebrated in New York City, the present home of the bride's mother, yesterday. Mr. William L. Cooke, of Newport News, attended the wedding and gave the bride away. Mr. and Mrs. Keene, who are well remembered in social circles of Newport News, Hampton and Old Point, will live in New York.

ADAMS-JOHNSON.
The wedding of Miss Elizabeth Veazey Johnston, of Ironton, O., daughter of Mrs. Anna P. Johnston, of Ironton, O., and Mr. Richard Adams, of Lynchburg, Va., will be celebrated on Wednesday, August 28th, at the home of the bride's mother, in Ironton. The announcement of the engagement was recently made at a tea given to a number of her friends by the bride-to-be.

MISS BAKER MARRIED.
Friends in Richmond of Miss Bessie Lee Baker, of Staunton, Va., are much interested in the news of her marriage on Saturday last to Mr. Lee Jones, of Greensboro, N. C. The wedding took place in the home of Mrs. B. F. Stollenwerk, of Greensboro, whose guest Miss Baker had been for about a month.

Mr. Jones is an alumnus of the University of Virginia, and made the acquaintance of his bride during his student days. Mr. and Mrs. Jones are expected to reach Staunton to-day.

MISS CARTER'S POPULARITY.
Miss Mildred Carter, daughter of the first Embassy of the American Embassy in London, who has achieved almost unexampled social success and has been taken up by the King and Queen and the most exclusive set of English society, is a Virginian by birth. Her grandfather, Mr. Bernard Scott, of Baltimore, being closely allied to the Carters of Shirley, on James River, and to Robert Carter, of Lancaster, president of the Council in Colonial days of Virginia.

STAY-AT-HOME CLUB.
The Stay-at-home Whist Club met Monday night at the home of Miss Smith. The game resulted in a tie between Mr. S. W. Travers, playing with Mrs. Thomas Correll, and Mrs. Smith, playing with Mr. Sutton. The next game will be played with Mrs. S. W. Travers, No. 602 West Franklin Street.

EGYPTIAN FETE.
The Young Girls' Society of Association Chapel will give an Egyptian fete this afternoon and evening from 6 to 11 o'clock at the point where the street railways enters Highland Park. Light refreshments will be served and music and other attractions will render the occasion especially enjoyable. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Four Big Bargains
From the Clean-Sweep Sale
\$5 Black Taffeta Silk Petticoat and Sweep charge \$2.50
25c Ruffling Mat 15c
25c Neckwear 19c
\$1 and \$1.25 Lawn Wrappers Clean Sweep 69c

Faulkner & Warriner Co.
First and Broad Streets.

POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW
No. 1263.
Fame
By ALEXANDER POPE.

What's fame? a fancy'd life in others' breath,
A thing beyond us, e'en before our death.
Just what you hear you have; and what's unknown,
The same (my lord) if Tully's, or your own.
All that we feel of it begins and ends
In the small circle of our foes or friends;
To all beside as much an empty shade
As Eugene living as a Caesar dead;
Alike or when, or where, they shine, or shine,
Or on the Rubicon, or on the Rhine.
A wit's a feather, and a chief's a rod;
In honest man's the noblest work of God.
Fame built from death a villain's name can save,
As justice tears his body from the grave;
When what 't' oblivion better were resign'd,
Is hung on high to poison half mankind.
All fame is foreign, but to few desert;
Plays round the head, but comes not to the heart;
One self-approving hour woe's years outweighs
Of stupid stagers, and of loud huzzas;
And more true joy Marcellus exil'd feels
Than Caesar with a senate at his heels.

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after recent illness, and hopes soon to be entirely well.
Mrs. Robert Jackson, son, and Mrs. G. W. Fuller have returned to Richmond from Charlottesville, Va., where they visited Mrs. J. Tyler Jackson.
Mr. N. W. Davis, accompanied by Misses Lottie and Nellie Davis, expect to leave soon for a visit to Jamestown Exposition.
Mr. Frank Brown has returned from a visit to relatives in Henry county. Mrs. Lily Wilkins is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Laura M. Murray, of Danville, Va.
Mrs. A. C. Saunders is at home after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. W. F. McIntyre, of Newport News, Va.
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Stevens, of Ivy, Va., are spending some time in Richmond and at the Jamestown Exposition.
Miss Linda Todd and Mrs. John Todd are spending this week at Jamestown Exposition.
Mrs. William C. Bentley, who has been sick at her home on East Franklin Street, is much better.
Mr. William Warner Moss, of New York, spent Wednesday in Richmond and was a guest at the Jefferson Hotel.

THE CITY COUNCIL AND COLONEL CUTSHAW.
Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir:—I have been greatly pleased with the recommendation of the Committee on Streets to create the office of Engineer of the city. The office is an invaluable service of our battle-scarred and time-honored City Engineer, Colonel E. E. Cutshaw, who, in the past, has been a most efficient and capable officer. Advancing years and infirmities, produced by wounds and accounted by long and arduous service, have made it practically necessary for him to give up daily personal attention to the duties of his office. His mental faculties are as active and his watchfulness over the city's manifold interests are as alert as ever. He is a man of great experience and information, and his constant demands made upon him.

It is a very wise step on the part of the committee to endeavor to conserve his remaining powers by selecting him for this advisory position, in which his great fund of experience and information may be made use of.
For thirty-four years he has been City Engineer. During that period Richmond has grown from an ill-shapen town into a well-rounded, symmetrical and advanced city. The chief credit of development, allied to a highly educated engineering skill, has been due to his guidance in the direction of permanent grades for our city streets. This was indeed a monumental task, and one requiring the most successful accomplishment aroused great opposition in all the city. How many millions of dollars, his perseverance and insistence, could have withstood the fierce antagonism that was arrayed against his project? A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

PERSONAL MENTION.
Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Price and Masters Richard and Robert Price, of Miller School, Va., are guests of the Inside Inn, Jamestown Exposition Grounds, Va.
Misses Margaret and Louise Ryan, of No. 320 North Harrison Street, left last week for Orange, N. J., to spend two months.
Misses Elva Stevens and Addie Huffman have returned, after a delightful stay of two weeks at Willoughby Beach.
Mr. Albert G. Dalton, of Highland Park, who was a guest at Sweet Chalybeate Springs for some time, is now in the city, and is being treated by Dr. J. H. Dalton.
Miss Nora Hughes and little sister of No. 521 South Harrison Street, are visiting relatives at Newport News and Ocean View.
Mr. Howard Burton is improving.

REAL HAPPINESS
Does not consist of riches, but is for those who possess good health. A sickly man cannot make the stomach strong and healthy, and enjoy true happiness. It will cure Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Constipation, Biliousness, Diarrhoea or Pile Hemorrhoids, man or woman, besides being a valuable remedy for the most tried and tested, but then, there's no excuse for being sickly. Just let
HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS
build up and renew the entire system.

SOLITAIRE Diamond Rings
We make a specialty of Engagement Rings. Solitaire Diamond Rings of almost every size; also rubies, pearls, opals, sapphires, &c., set either with or without Diamonds.
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Harris' Anti-Dyspeptic Water
PHONE 4882.
Gentlemen,—I have used the HARRIS' ANTI-DYSPEPTIC WATER for the past year, and I have found it very beneficial to me. Before I commenced to use it I suffered a great deal with Sick Headache and Flatulence. Since I began to use it I have been almost entirely relieved of these troubles. I do not hesitate to recommend it to any one who is suffering from indigestion.
B. RANE, WELLFORD.